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Motivation/Objective

Higher accuracy GPS positioning to meet Mine Countermeasure (MCM) requirements



Lower latency
GPS orbit &
clock data
available at
GPSOC [every
15 minutes]

Communicate augmentation data directly to users





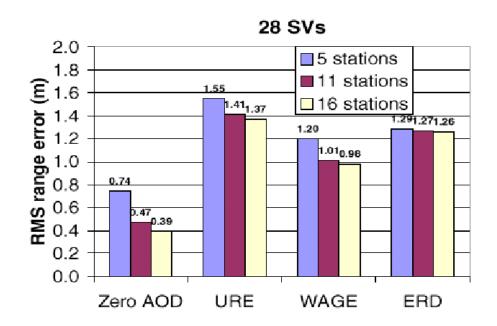
Improved accuracy for:

- Remote mine geolocation
- Navigation
- Mine/object avoidance
- Situational awareness





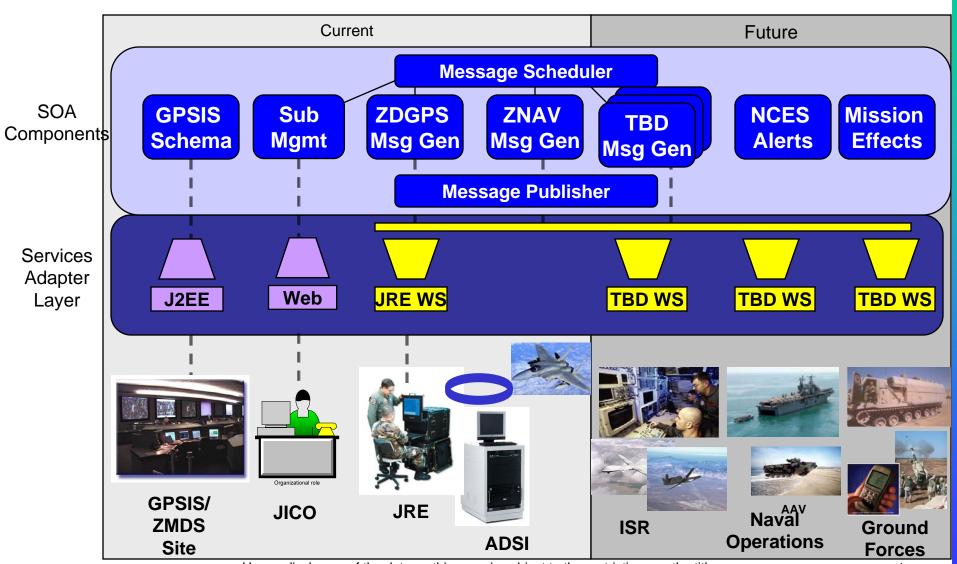
Benefits of Precision GPS Ephemeris Web Services for Augmented GPS



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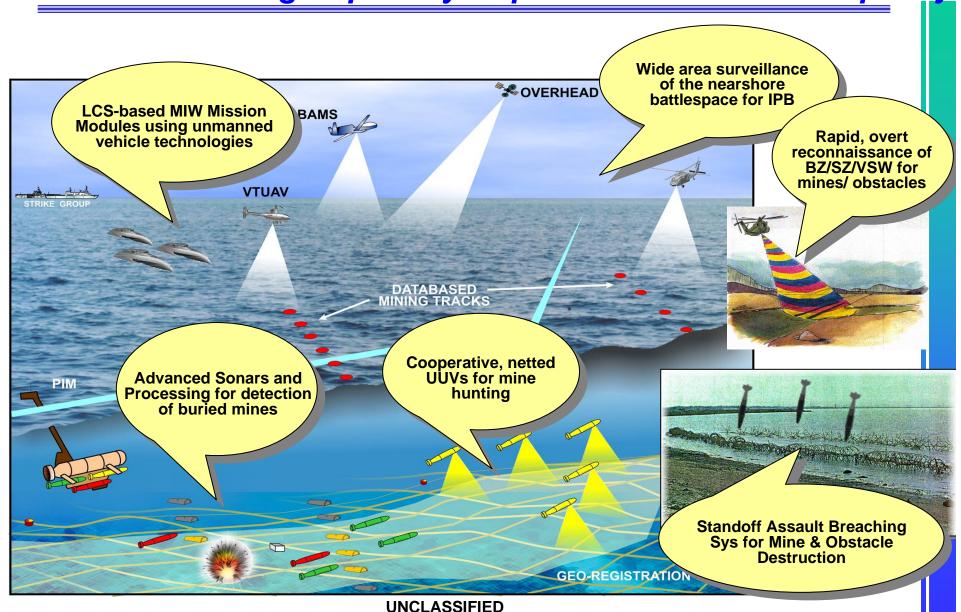
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MCM Science and Technology

Addressing Capability Gaps in Maneuver and Capacity







Mine Counter Measure (MCM) Benefits of PGE TCS

- NAVSYS is under contract to ONR
 - PGE TCS Web Services are being extended to support MCM precision marking & navigation
- PGE Services will integrate with standard GPS User Equipment in use by the Navy
 - DAGR/MRC JV5 BFT for AAV
 - KN-4073B for COBRA
- MCM operation cost & time savings achieved
 - Improved target location error & increased navigation accuracy MCM allows use of narrower lanes which reduces number of weapons used for breaching mine fields



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MCM Precision GPS Ephemeris Distribution System Demo

MH-53 w/COBRA & GPS/INS Sensors

AAV with **DAGR GPS** Receiver

> SINCGARS or EPLRS **COM LINK**

GPSOC Provides Updated GPS Satellite Nav Message Every 15 Minutes for Improved Positioning Accuracy

Worldwide AF & NGA Real-**Time GPS Tracking Sites**

SIPRNET

SIPRNET

Communication Station

RF COM

LINK

Unclassified

MCM Tactical Control Station

AF GPS

Operations Center (GPSOC)

[NAVSYS or NSWCDD]





Three Phase Program

Phase 1 FY07

- Prototyping
- Architecture
- MCM PGE System Design
- MCM PGE TCS Build & Test
- Message Prototyping,
 Test & Selection

Phase 2 FY08

Implementation

- Design, Build & Test Development System
- Design Demo System
- Design Ops System
- End to End Test of Development System at NAVSYS & NSWCDD

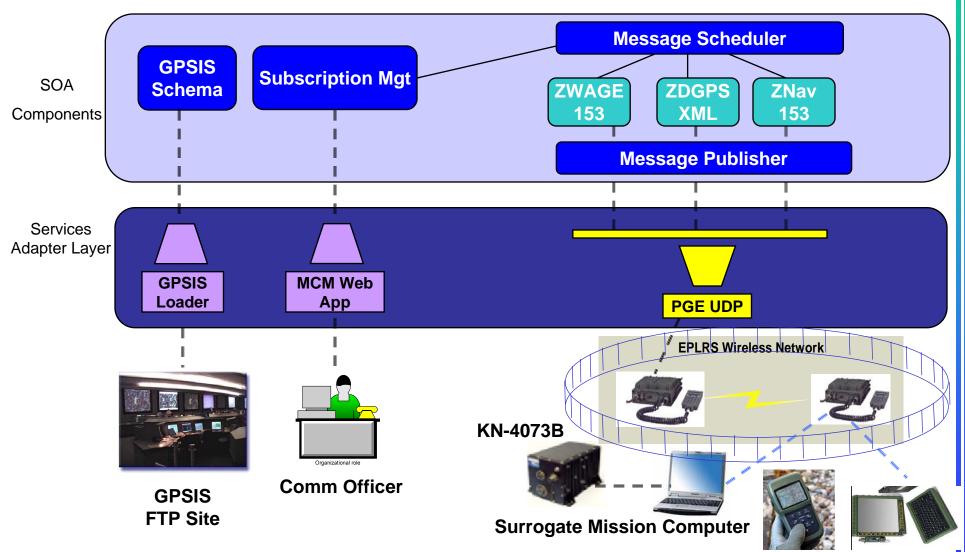
Phase 3 FY09

- Demonstrations
- Refine Design, Build & Test Demo System
- Demo DAGR/BFT on AAV & KN-4073 on MH-53E w/ COBRA
- Complete PreliminaryOperational System Design





PGE TCS with MCM Web Services



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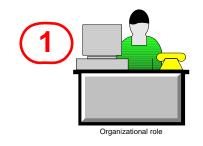
DAGR MRC JV5 BFT





MCM TCS Subscription Services

SIPRNET



Shipboard Planner establishes subscription schedule



EPLRS



AAV



Planner logs into Navy TCS and subscribes to MCM Web Service



MCM Messages routed to PGE
Client on Platform using IP/UDP
over tactical data link



PGE Client formats messages for input to GPS UE through standard serial interfaces



Tactical Common Data Link



COBRA Payload



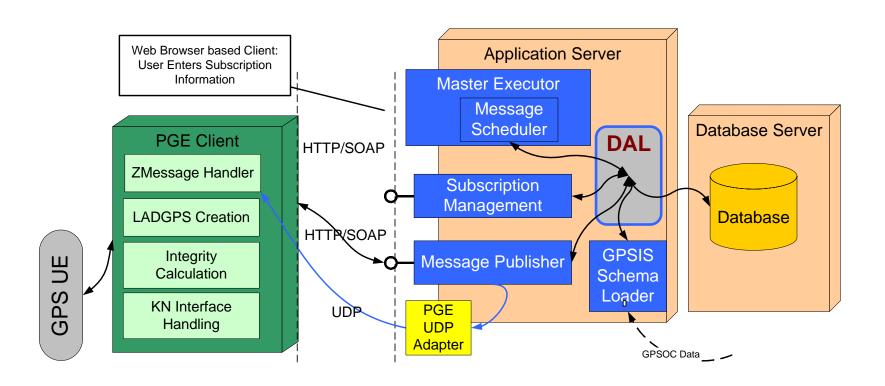


TCS initiates message transmission through SIPRNET





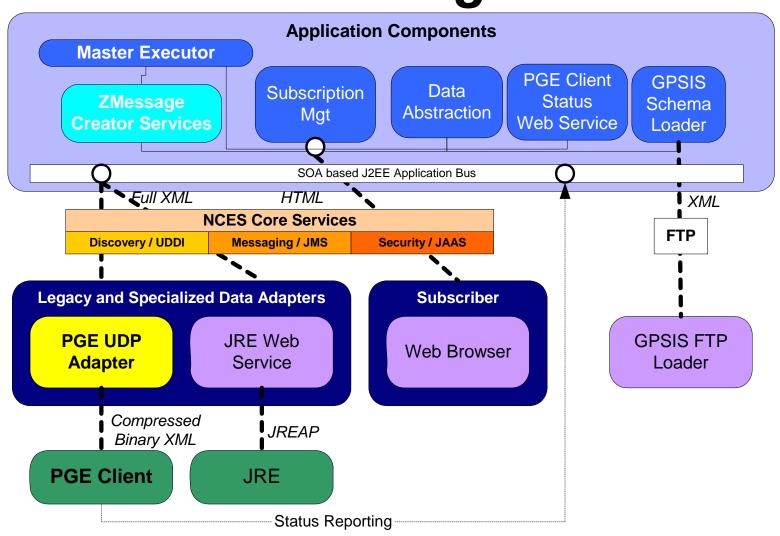
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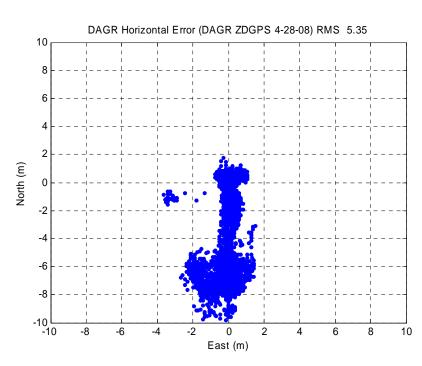
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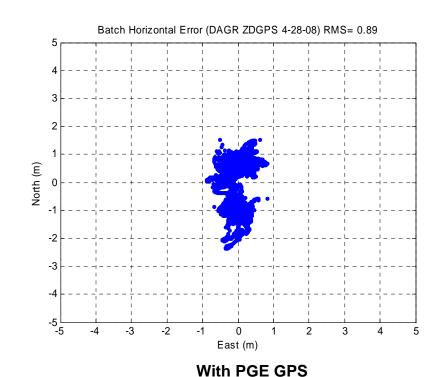






DAGR (SW 984-3006-005) PGENAV Results Without & With PGE (ZDGPS)





Without PGE GPS

DRMS: 5.35 m

Vertical RMS: 5.72 m

DRMS: 0.89 m

Vertical RMS: 0.83 m

Note Scale Difference



DAGR Error Budgets & PGENAV Results

			DAGR	DAGR
	Spec*	Proposal**	PGE NAV	PGENAV
Error Sources	DAGR	DAGR	w/o ZDGPS	w/ ZDGPS
ZAOD (m)		0.47		
lonosphere (m)		0.10		
Tropo (m)		0.10		
Multipath and Noise (m)				
URE (m)	2.25			
UEE (m)	2.59			
UERE (m)	3.43	1.30		
HDOP (SS-GPS-300***)	0.98	0.98		
VDOP (SS-GPS-300***)	1.58	1.58		
DRMS (m)	3.36	1.27	5.35	0.89
Vertical RMS (m)	5.42	2.05	5.72	0.83

^{*}Performance Spec for the NAVSTAR GPS DAGR, 29 Sep 2004, pp 127-128

^{**} Section 4.1.2 of submitted proposal

^{***} SS-GPS-300 nominal constellation



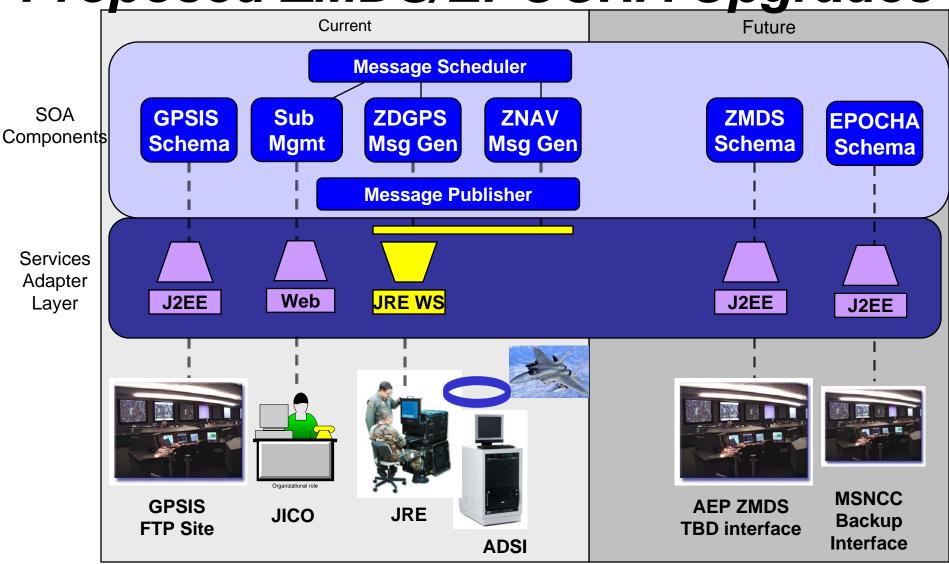
NSWCDD/NGA EPOCHA



- Estimation & Prediction of Orbits & Clocks to High Accuracy
 - Next generation of precise GPS orbit & clock estimation software being developed by NSWCDD for NGA
 - Current software (OMNIS) used by NGA operationally as DoD standard; NGA & AF tracking site positioning; WGS 84 definition
- Potential source for MCM PGE data (vs GPSIS ZAOD)
- Status
 - Non-real-time algorithms completed
 - Real-time systems scheduled for testing in spring 2009
- Post-processed user positioning results (OMNIS SW)
 - Decimeter-level accuracy demonstrated using NSWCDD dynamic precise point positioning software



Proposed ZMDS/EPOCHA Upgrades







Summary

- MCM PGE TCS architecture from legacy system
 - Extendable to new pub/sub services for fielded GPS UE
 - Customized TCS Web Services reduce development and integration costs in platforms needing GPS Augmentation
- PGE services provided by TCS can enable < 1 m accuracy for targeting, nav & weapons guidance
- GPS UE supported by MCM developed services
 - DAGR/MRC JV5 BFT (PGE Client SW runs on laptop)
 - KN-4073B GPS/Inertial (PGE Client SW on platform computer & in KN-4073B)
 - Other GPS Receivers IAW GPS ICD
- PGE has potential application for other assets



Backup





MCM PGE Program Objectives

- Provide system for high accuracy position for MCM assets
 - Enhanced GPS accuracy/integrity for COBRA navigation system
 - Precise GPS location to AAV DAGR for nav in safe maneuver space
- Implement appropriate NESI architecture for MCM operations
- Create PGE TCS development & test infrastructure
 - Robust architecture for extension for other applications
 - Easily reproduced for future developments to grow into ops capability
- Provide ForceNet capabilities through pub/sub service
 - Extends GPS accuracy corrections where and when needed
 - Message distribution increases accuracy of mission execution
- Integrate w/ platform nav systems for TRL 6 Demo for transition
 - DAGR/BFT end-to-end, accuracy improvement demo on AAV
 - KN-4073B (COBRA) end-to-end, accuracy demo on MH-53E



Acronyms

- AAV: Amphibious Assault Vehicle
- BFT: Blue Force Tracker
- COBRA: Coastal Battlefield Reconnaissance Analysis
- DAGR: Defense Advanced GPS Receiver
- EPLRS: Enhanced Position Locating Reporting System
- EPOCHA: Estimation & Prediction of Orbits & Clocks to High Accuracy
- GPSIS: GPS Information Service
- GPSOC: GPS Operation Center
- GPS UE: GPS User Equipment
- MCM: Mine Countermeasure
- M-DACT: Mobile Data Automated Communications Terminal
- OMNIS: Orbit Mensuration and Navigation Improvement System
- PGE: Precision GPS Ephemeris
- TCS: Tactical Control Station
- UDP: User Datagram Protocol
- ZAOD: Zero Age of Data
- ZDGPS: Zero Age of Data Differential GPS
- ZNAV: Zero Age of Data Navigation Message





PGE Importance to AAV

- Troop Commander (TC) AAV has M-DACT
 - 1 M-DACT in every 3 vehicles
 - Lead Driver has M-DACT display in TC AAV
- Importance:
 - More accurate position within cleared lanes
 - Allows AAVs to safely maneuver wrt each other & waves
- Benefits:
 - More forces arrive on the beach during assaults
 - Faster transit to the beach during assaults
 - Reduction of losses of troops and AAVs
 - Fewer incidents of grounding on sand bars





PGE Importance to COBRA

- KN-4073B, Kearfott GPS/INS, integrated with COBRA
 - Provides nav, heading, attitude, velocity, position, $\Delta\theta$, & ΔV
 - COBRA employs KN-4073B data to determine mine location
- Importance:
 - More accurate position of mine and obstacle locations
 - Allows better determination of safe maneuver space
- Benefits:
 - Minimum Overlapping Efficient Searches
 - Neutralization with high probability of kill
 - Well defined virtual lanes for safe transit
 - Minimizes sorties/weapons/darts to clear lanes
 - Decreased probability of landing accidents

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